

Holme Valley Parish Council

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Grant Evaluation

- The Parish Council likes to hear how community groups have used the money awarded to them
- As the money awarded is public money, we also need to make sure that the money has been spent appropriately and as agreed

Name of Organisation	Holmfirth Tech
Amount of award	£ 1,500
Purpose for which the grant was awarded (Maximum 20 words)	Food and drink for Warm Spaces project

The Story of Your Project

- *Tell us what you did with the money awarded to you (Maximum 500 words)*
- *Attach a few photos*

The project was planned to run from 2 December 2024 to 31 March 2025. Unfortunately, due to a burst pipe and flood on 29 November 2024, and no central heating until 16 January, we only ran a few Warm Spaces sessions in December and January. With the funder's permission, we would like to extend the Warm Spaces project until 30 April 2025 instead of 31 March 2025.

What you achieved

What were the benefits of your project?

(Maximum 500 words)

Here is a link to a reel on our Facebook page of one wonderful session, with a chap called Raymond and Abby, the Tech's Operations and Marketing Co-ordinator on the piano.

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/8160757360693625>

At Holmfirth Tech, we are more than just a space — we are a place "where everyone is welcome." Whether it's to find warmth, share a smile, or even break into song, our doors are open to bring people together in joy and support.

Thank you to the Parish Council for helping to fund this project and to everyone who makes moments like this possible. 🍷

This is only an interim report; a full report will be provided at the end of the project.

Who benefited from the project?

(Maximum 200 words)

The Warm Spaces project is open to anyone in the Holme Valley. So far, half-way through the project, about 50 people have benefited from free warm food, a hot drink and piece of cake, a warm space to sit in, do some free activities (including playing musical instruments or games) or just simply chat with others, to mitigate loneliness and social isolation, particularly

	in older people.
<p>How many people benefited? (Maximum 200 words)</p>	<p>About 50 so far, but we are only half-way through the project. Those who have attended are local people, of all ages.</p>
<p>Was the project inclusive? How were marginalised groups (elderly, disabled, young people etc) able to participate?</p>	<p>Yes, the project was open to anyone.</p>
<p>Reflecting on climate change, did the project address any aspects of the climate emergency? How?</p>	<p>As well as providing a warm space, and access to free food and drink, Warm Spaces project participants are given the opportunity to connect and be signposted to third party organisations to get advice and support on improving the thermal insulation of their homes, more energy efficient heating appliances, how to cut other utility costs, cooking on a budget, and access to emergency funding (e.g. HVS Hardship Fund etc).</p> <p>Through our partners, Arts4Health, we have been able to offer Warm Packs, comprising thermal blanket, hat, gloves, hot water bottle and cover, to anyone who attended Warm Spaces in January.</p>
<p>Did you achieve what you were trying to do? (Maximum 200 words)</p>	<p>Yes, we provided a warm space for quite a few local residents who were worried about the ongoing energy crisis and not being able to afford to heat their own homes properly.</p> <p>Unfortunately, due to the burst pipe and flood on 29 November 2024, the Warm Spaces project had to be postponed occasionally in December and January because we didn't have any central heating until the burst pipe could be</p>

	repaired. We managed with portable heaters in most rooms, but now the heating is fixed we would like to extend the Warm Spaces project to run until 30 April 2025 instead of 31 March 2025.
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Finance and Expenditure

We ask groups to retain their receipts and invoices, and to keep a record of what they've spent for auditing purposes

Grant awarded	£ 1,500
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Date	Description of expenditure (use another sheet if necessary)	Amount
	As this is an interim report, full details of all expenditure will be provided at the end of the project.	£
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	Total expenditure	£
	Amount of grant remaining (if any)	£

Any amount of the award unspent may have to be returned to the Parish Council

Person completing this form		Date	21/2/25
Position in organisation	Manager		

Send the completed application form, together with all supporting documentation, preferably in PDF format to: clerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Alternatively, you can send the paperwork to: Holme Valley Parish Council, The Civic, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth, HD9 3AS.

Have you considered inviting a Member of the Parish Council to come and see your project and how your grant money has been spent? Why not give the Parish Council a ring and arrange a visit 01484 687460?



